
GENERAL SUMMARY

The 2006 capital project expenditures decreases just over \$9.0 million or 30.4% from the 2005 Adopted Budget to \$20.7 million. These decreases are identified by functional area below.

Justice and Public Safety

With the completion of the Justice Facility Jail expansion project, funding of Justice and Public Safety functional area capital projects decreases \$12.7 million to \$0. A second phase of the expansion was to begin in 2006 to demolish the existing main jail (loss of 114 beds) and construct a new secure courts building. This project is being delayed one year to provide opportunity to consider alternative design options; options will also consider the implementation of the Courthouse/Administration security measures to control access entrances.

Health and Human Services

The 2006 budget for \$110,000 will complete a project to automate the A/R billing, integration of a package solution with the business environment, completion of the HIPAA compliance requirements, and address State SACWIS integration. The project will also identify future direction for Human Services technology projects.

Parks, Environment, Education and Land Use

Projects in this functional area total almost \$1.3 million, a decrease of almost \$1.5 million from the 2005 budget.

A bikeway extension project will use a State Stewardship Development Grant of \$306,000 to partially fund the \$600,000 project on a 50/50 cost share. The project will complete the last 4.8 miles of a total 14.5-mile trail from Waukesha to Oconomowoc. Second year funding for Exposition Center of \$249,000 in 2006 continues to address ADA compliance requirements, maintenance needs, energy efficiency recommendations, plumbing code updates, pavement management, safety and risk issues, and infrastructure repairs. Planning for the replacement of maintenance buildings at Menomonee and Muskego Parks will cost \$22,000. The Parks pavement management plan continues with the \$400,000 funding level

Public Works

Project expenditures in the Public Works functional area total \$18.0 million, an increase of almost \$5.5 million from the 2005 Adopted Budget.

Facilities improvements at UW-Waukesha Campus Building owned by the County decrease almost \$2.5 million in this budget. This is offset with planned increases of almost \$8.0 million for Highway construction funding.

Buildings

There are two projects at the UW-Waukesha campus for \$316,000 that complete an almost \$2.4 million project to renovate a lecture hall and labs at Northview Hall. Additional construction funding is needed based on rising building material costs in global markets. The project will update floors, ceilings, fixtures and furnishings and building wiring to allow the use of the latest advances in technology and pedagogy. Classrooms and rest rooms will also be updated to meet ADA standards.

Engineering design in 2006 for \$55,000 will allow the coordinated replacement of twelve air-handling units at the courthouse in 2007 and 2008. A new two-year project with 2006 funding \$64,000 will assure that highway substations remain in compliance with Wisconsin salt storage requirements. A short-term building project of \$105,000 will address additional cooling capacity needs of additional computer equipment added to the existing computer room space. A longer-term solution will be studied for the future.

Highways

The 2006 capital budget for roadways continues priorities established in six categories and includes projects in all categories to provide a balanced plan. Projects and funding priorities are identified below.

Bridges/Culverts	The existing culvert replacement program continues with an annual appropriation of \$100,000. Funding of \$100,000 for right of way acquisition and \$34,000 for design are part of projects to replace two bridges over the Fox River. Funding of \$160,000 is included to provide assistance to municipalities for the replacement of large drainage structures.
Spot Improvements	This area includes costs of \$800,000 to address intersection improvements at three locations including traffic signals and turn lanes to improve safety and reduce traffic delays. Funding of \$30,000 will complete LED indications at all existing signal faces. A study for \$200,000 will address conceptual plans and cost estimates to extend SR and provide a railroad grade separation on CTH K in conjunction with the closure of Weyer Road.
Repaving	A funding level of \$2.19 million is proposed for repaving.
Rehabilitation	One rehab project of 4.35 miles in length on CTH O (Moorland Road) from CTH I to STH 59 receives construction funding of \$4,125,000 in 2006 with \$1,100,000 planned in 2007 to complete the project. The project will address pavement conditions, add a third driving lane, update traffic signals and address the condition of the storm sewer system. The pavement condition index ranges from 23 to 68 on this roadway.
Priority Corridors	Three projects address major through routes in the County including CTH Q (in parts of Village of Menomonee Falls and the Town of Lisbon), CTH Y (Racine Avenue in the City of New Berlin) and CTH X (St. Paul Avenue in the City and Town of Waukesha) for total 2006 funding of \$9.8 million. This includes \$7.2 million of construction funding to reconstruct 1.0 mile to a multi-lane section and reconstruct 2.3 lanes of CTH Q. A second project to reconstruct 1.3 miles of CTH Y (Racine Ave) continues in 2006 with a second year of land acquisition costs of \$2.1 million. A third project to reconstruct 1.8 miles of CTH X continues in 2006 with additional design funds of \$519,000.

Airport

No projects in this area for 2006 Budget.

General Administration

A multi-year effort to add and expand imaging applications throughout the County is completed in 2006 with \$90,000. The project will enhance integration with existing County systems to provide consistent record retention scheduling regardless of media type. Annual hardware and software maintenance cost increases will be identified as Department projects are implemented.

The collection system upgrade project for \$250,000 receives additional funding of \$45,000 for the development of an interface with the Health and Human Services billing system. This will increase the timeliness of account receivable referrals.

County Wide Projects

End User Operations and Technology fund balance of \$150,000 will allow a study and design of new technologies to increase the interoperability between government entities and preparing the county for wireless broadband capability. The technologies to be considered include fiber optic cable, Wi-Max and Wi-Fi transmission and receiving. This initiative is contingent on receiving grant funding.

Additional project funding of \$225,000 will provide the County with an enterprise-wide cashing solution. New funding in 2006 will evaluate the feasibility of electronic document imaging. The 2006 budget includes an additional \$145,000 investment in its technology infrastructure to expand the CITRIX server environment. A telecommunications initiative for \$250,000 will plan and implement an upgrade to the County's infrastructure to allow for transition to Voice Over Internet Protocol (VOIP) and possible integration with Wi-Fi technology. A project to re-engineer Information technology infrastructure begins in 2006 with an analysis for \$100,000. A project for \$105,000 is also included to review and reduce the complexities of the operating environment, including the e-mail system.

Revenues

Revenues funding projects decrease \$5.6 million from the 2005 budget to \$4.3 million. This includes an estimated decrease of the State payment for personal property tax exemption for computers by \$200,000 to \$600,000. State transportation aids are reduced \$400,000 from \$600,000 to \$200,000 with \$400,000 budgeted in the Highway budget for operations. County Highway Improvement (CHIPS) revenue decreases by \$1,145,000 reflecting receipt of this revenue every other year. New funding includes SACWIS (State Human Service technology) at \$50,000 and Stewardship grant of \$306,600 for park trail development.

Continued use of proprietary fund balances for specific projects in 2006 include \$45,000 of Collections fund balance; \$300,000 of End User Operations and Technology fund balance; \$215,000 of Records Management fund balance and \$250,000 of Telecommunications fund balance.

Use of fund balances totals \$2,870,000, a decrease of \$2.9 million in the 2006 capital budget from the prior year budget. The Capital budget is funded using a \$2.0 million loan from the Material Recycling Fund balance, and \$50,000 of Capital Project fund balance.

Borrowed funds are budgeted at \$12 million, a decrease of \$3.0 million from the 2005 adopted budget level of \$14.4 million. Borrowing is reduced from the previous approved 2005 plan year of \$16.0 million, reflecting the loan from the Material Recycling Fund and a reduced overall capital budget. Investment income is budgeted at \$525,000, a decrease of \$75,000 due to a smaller bond issue in 2006. Property tax levy funding decreases \$754,400 reflecting a reduced capital budget.